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AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Dear Examiner Smith:

This amendment for the above-referenced application is in response to the non-final office action mailed on 6/30/2004 and is being timely filed within four months thereof with a request for a one month extension of time.

Enclosed please also find a Statement from the Assignee regarding change of Associate Practitioner in this case.

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